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Office of the Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

Transmittal # 18-12

TO: DC Medicaid Providers

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Senior Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director

DATE: March 28, 2018

SUBJECT: Prior Authorization (PA) Requirement Removal for Nexplanon Etonogestrel implant 68 mg radiopaque (Procedure Code J7307)

The purpose of this transmittal is to notify the Medicaid providers that the prior authorization (PA) requirement for Nexplanon Etonogestrel implant 68 mg radiopaque procedure code J7307 will be removed effective April 1, 2018.

DHCF has determined that the current PA process serves no identified clinical purposes and contribute to delays of about two days, impeding the ability of Medicaid beneficiaries to timely access this medication.

DHCF wants to improve Medicaid recipients' access to Long-Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC). Further, DHCF has reviewed its fee schedule for LARC related procedures codes and has decided that the prior authorization (PA) requirement for procedure code J7307 will be removed. The below table provides a summary of the updated fee schedule information for J7307.

Updated Procedure Code J7307 Description

| Proc Code | LARC Service | Prior Authorization Needed | Physician Supplied - Office or Inpatient Setting | Hospital Supplied - Inpatient Setting |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | | | Reimbursement Per Fee Schedule | Reimbursement Per DRG Assignment |
| J7307 | Nexplanon Etonogestrel implant 68 mg radiopaque | No | \$675.04 | DRG Assignment |

The Medicaid Fee Schedule is located on the DHCF website at <https://www.dc-medicaid.com/dcwebportal/nonsecure/feeScheduleDownload>.

If you have questions regarding this fee schedule update, please contact Amy Xing, Reimbursement Analyst, Office of Rates, Reimbursement and Financial Analysis (ORRFA) Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF), at amy.xing2@dc.gov, or via telephone at (202) 481-3375.

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